

Implicit Bias Training

Thursday, October 8, 2020 11:00AM-12:00 PM Eastern

KDLA is bringing ALA's Implicit Bias training to KY public library staff! This training develops a common definition of implicit bias, builds awareness of implicit bias as it plays out in systems and individuals, and explores ways to disrupt biases. The webinar is open to ALL Kentucky public library staff and will be both a live event and made available to watch later. Registration is here: https://ala-events.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3QhiNRKBS4meZd61G_fmzg

Audit Reminder

It's getting time to contact your auditor if you've not already done so! Special Purpose Governmental Agencies (SPGEs) are required by law to provide, depending on the library's annual revenues and expenditures, an annual audit or attestation engagement prepared by a CPA or APA within 12 months of the close of the fiscal year, or **June 30** of the next calendar year, and submit it to the DLG within 15 days of receipt. Libraries that receive or expend less than \$100,000 in a fiscal year must provide an attestation engagement every 4 years. Libraries that receive or expend \$100,000-\$499,999 in a fiscal year must provide an audit every 4 years. Libraries that receive or expend \$500,000 or more in a fiscal year are required to submit an audit every year.

ALA Grant for Small & Rural Libraries

The American Library Association (ALA) has announced plans to award nearly \$2 million to small and rural libraries in 2020 and 2021 to help them address issues of concern in their communities.

Through Libraries Transforming Communities: Focus on Small and Rural Libraries, up to 650 U.S. libraries in small and rural communities will receive \$3,000 to tackle issues ranging from media literacy to COVID-19 safety to unemployment. The initiative is part of ALA's longtime commitment to preparing library workers for the expanding role of libraries. Library workers may apply online for grant funding from September 21 to December 2, 2020, at ala.org/LTC. Up to 650 grants will be distributed over two funding rounds.

KDLA Website Spotlight: College-level Library Science Course Information

Are you interested in taking college-level library science courses? Do you want to **compare costs** for different schools? Would you like to see a variety of programs offered **totally online**? KDLA has done the work for you! Check out our **recently-updated** lists of online undergraduate and graduate library science programs: <http://kdla.ky.gov/librarians/staffdevelopment/Pages/Online-College-Level-Courses.aspx> These pages link to program, tuition, and fees information for more than **50** colleges and universities! Remember, courses from **any** of these schools may be used for certification.